

Application Serial No. 10/620,780
Amendment dated January 30, 2006
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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior version, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An accessory for a writing board, a file or the like, comprising a holder which can be provided to a file or the like wherein said holder includes a predominantly U-shaped body with legs that define contact surfaces on their sides turned toward one another, the holder configured for working in conjunction with a binding mechanism of the type comprising elements over which documents that are provided with openings can be threaded, at least one of the legs of the U-shaped body being elastically bendable and including locking means, the holder and locking means being configured so the holder can be fixed over the edge of a wall part of the file and the locking means in the form of a part that is configured to mesh in an opening in the file or the like when the leg is bent away from the other leg open so the holder can be manually attached to a file or the like.

Claim 2. (CANCELLED)

Claim 3. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The accessory according to claim 1, wherein the abovementioned binding mechanism includes rings having a predominantly rigid shape, the rings including at least two parts provided on a base element and movable between an open and a closed position.

Claim 4. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The accessory according to claim 1, wherein the U-shaped body of the holder can be provided over the file or the like in a clamping manner.

Claim 5. (ORIGINAL) The accessory according to claim 1, wherein the binding mechanism is mounted fixed on the holder.

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Claim 6. (ORIGINAL) The accessory according to claim 1, wherein the binding mechanism is mounted on the holder in a replaceable manner.

Claim 7. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The accessory according to claim 1, wherein the locking means for fixing the holder to a file or the like include detachable connecting means which allow for a removal and possibly a reuse.

Claim 8. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The accessory according to claim 1, wherein the locking means consist of a snap in connection.

Claim 9. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The accessory according to claim 1, wherein the holder comprises a supporting plate, designated to lie against a part of the file or the like, whereby the binding mechanism is configured to be mounted on this part.

Claim 10. (CANCELLED)

Claim 11. (CANCELLED)

Claim 12. (CANCELLED)

Claim 13. (CANCELLED)

Claim 14. (CANCELLED)

Claim 15. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The accessory according to claim 1, where the locking means includes a pin, which works in conjunction with openings in a file.

Claim 16. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~The accessory according to claim 1, An accessory for a writing board, a file or the like, comprising a holder which can be provided to a file or the like wherein said holder includes a predominantly U-shaped body with legs that define contact~~

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surfaces on their sides turned toward one another, the holder configured for working in conjunction with a binding mechanism of the type comprising elements over which documents that are provided with openings can be threaded, at least one of the legs of the U-shaped body being elastically bendable and wherein the elastically bendable leg of the U-shaped body is situated opposite a leg which is configured to work in conjunction with the binding mechanism, and locking means in the form of a part that is configured to mesh in an opening in the file or the like when the leg is bent away from the other leg so the holder can be manually attached to a file or the like,
and wherein at least one locking means part includ[[es]]ing a pin, which can work in conjunction with openings in a file.

Claim 17. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A writing board, file or the like, being equipped with a holder and a binding mechanism, as described in claim 1.

Claim 18. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A writing board, file or the like, comprising provisions, in particular openings or the like, which make it possible to equip said file or the like with an accessory as described in claim 1.

Claim 19. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) [[The]] A writing board, file or the like according to claim 17, whereby it concerns a file or the like of the type consisting of a front wall part, a rear wall part connected thereto by means of a back part and at least one inwardly folded flap formed on one of the aforesaid wall parts, which is held at a distance from the accompanying wall part via side pieces, and comprising a holder which includes a predominantly U-shaped body with legs that define contact surfaces on their sides turned toward one another, the holder configured for working in conjunction with a binding mechanism of the type comprising elements over which documents that are provided with openings can be threaded, at least one of the legs of the U-shaped body being elastically bendable and including locking means in the form of a part that is configured to mesh in an opening in the file or the like when the leg is bent away from the other leg so the holder can be manually attached to a file or the like, whereby the holder is

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mounted on the free edge of the flap and whereby, near this free edge are at least provided means for providing such a holder on it.

Claim 20. (CANCELLED)